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## F O R E W O R D

Hamilton is one of the oldest towns in Massachusetts, being incorporated in June, 1793. It took its name from the first treasurer of the United States of America, Alexander Hamilton, and his profile is now used in the seal of the town.

The town has several spots of historic interest, and we, of the HAMILTONIAN staff, have tried to incorporate a bit of this historic nature into the theme of our book.

It is our sincere hope that the students of the Hamilton High School, and the citizens of the town of Hamilton will find some bit of interest in our work.

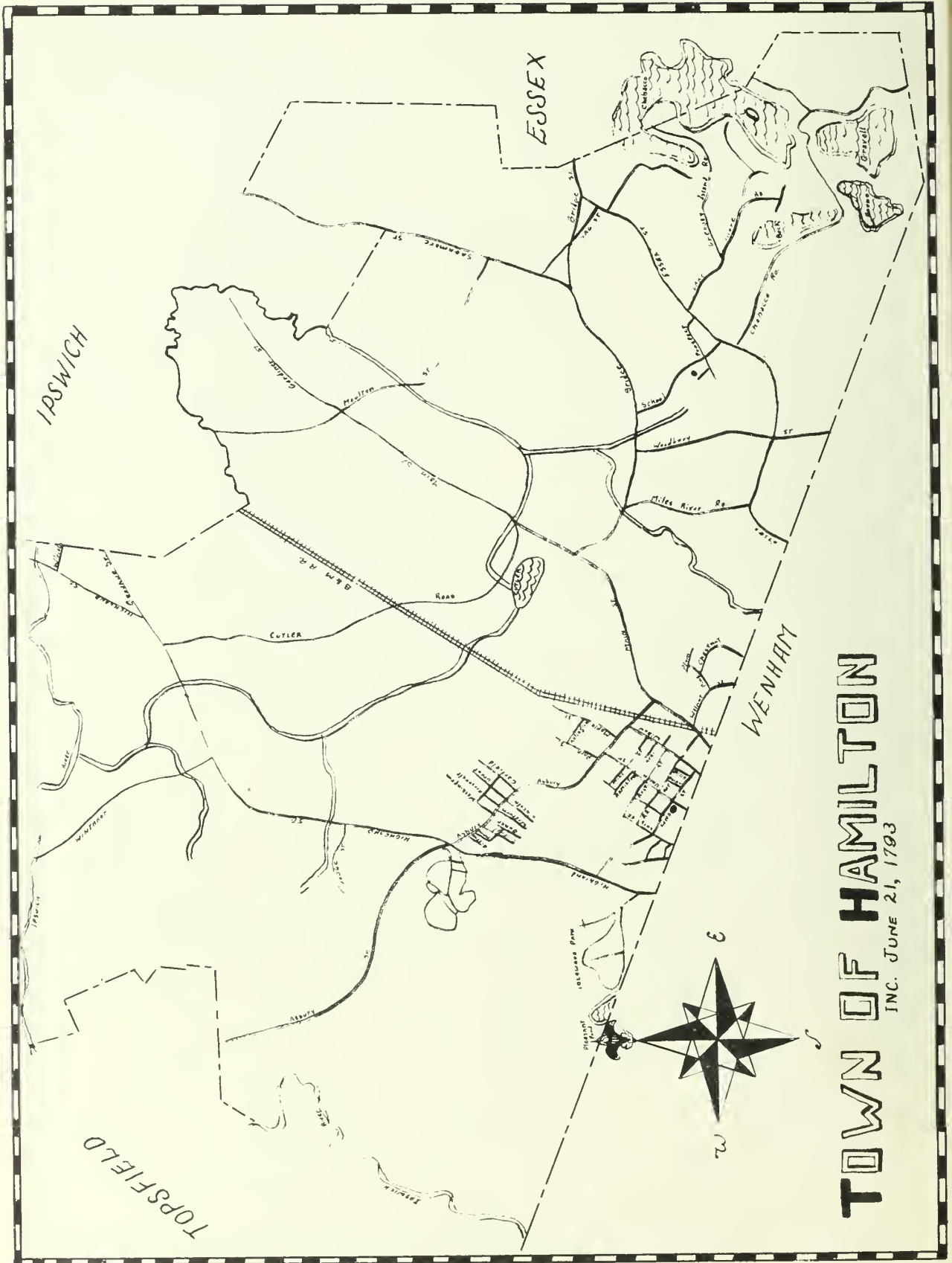
THE STAFF



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# TOWN OF HAMILTON

INC. JUNE 21, 1793

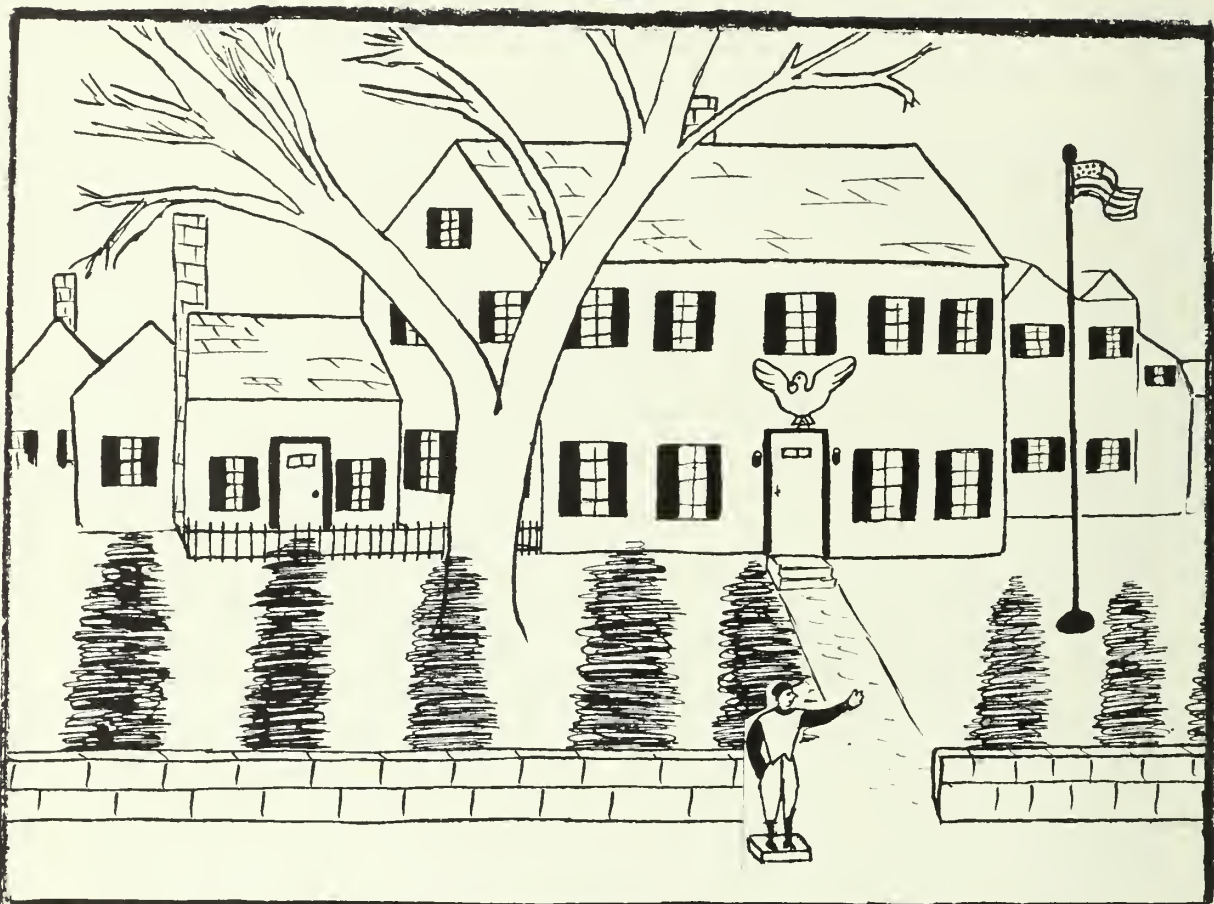




# DEDICATION



We, the students of Hamilton High School, respectfully dedicate this 1946 issue of THE HAMILTONIAN to General George S. Patton, Jr., the colorful, high-spirited commander of the Third and Seventh Armies. The General is a symbol to us of all the boys who fought and died so gallantly for us in World War II, that we might go forth to a world of peace. We wish to express our appreciation for his gallant leadership in bringing our boys and our country to a successful victory.



"GREEN MEADOWS"---THE HOME OF THE LATE GENERAL PATTON



BOWL PRESENTED TO GENERAL PATTON BY TOWNSPEOPLE OF HAMILTON





GENERAL PATTON DAY AT HAMILTON



Mr. John Perkins Welcomes The General Home to Hamilton



Mr. Edward DeWitt Introduces General Patton





Mrs. Patton Receives A Bouquet



Interested Spectators



# STAFF



Seated (left to right) J. Walker, M. A. Cunningham, J. Thayer, J. Foster, Miss Walsh, Adviser, C. Dove, N. Brackett, M. Harrigan. Standing (left to right) L. Johnson, B. Brooks, T. Holland, J. Gourdeau, J. Millerick, S. Whipple, A. Whipple, A. Pooler, D. Kinsella, R. Cullinane, R. Trussell, J. Gourdeau.

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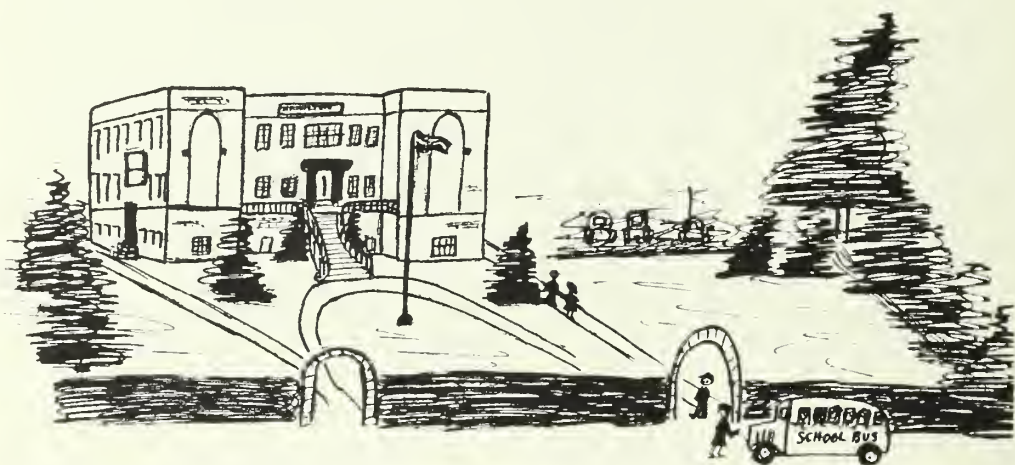
## ADVISER

Miss Barbara Walsh





# FACULTY



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## SUBJECTS OFFERED

Algebra  
Biology  
Bookkeeping  
Business Arithmetic  
Chemistry  
Civics  
Commercial Law  
English  
French

General Math  
General Science  
History (World)  
Home Economics  
Junior Business Training  
Latin  
Manual Training  
Office Practice  
Physical Education

Physics  
Plane Geometry  
Problems of Democracy  
Salesmanship and Psychology  
Shorthand  
Solid Geometry  
Spanish  
Typewriting  
U. S. History





## A D M I N I S T R A T I O N

Mr. Elwin F. Towne, Superintendent, is a familiar figure around the school. It is Mr. Towne who is responsible for co-ordinating the various school departments so that they operate smoothly. In addition to his administration duties this year, Mr. Towne took over the coaching of the boys' varsity basketball team and did an admirable job.



Mr. Elwin F. Towne



Mrs. Elizabeth Edmondson

Mrs. Elizabeth Edmondson, Mr. Towne's capable secretary, with her cheerful smile and winning way, handles all our needs most efficiently.

The credit for keeping the attendance records so efficiently goes to our friendly principal, Mrs. Hazel E. Ramer, who in her many years with us has won a host of friends among the students of H. E. S.



Mrs. Hazel E. Ramer



## P H Y S I C A L   E D U C A T I O N

Our physical education teachers, Miss Mary E. Donovan, Mrs. F. Doris Bennett, and Mr. Carl J. Martini, are keeping us fit and are helping to make us strong citizens by their administration of all cases of calisthenics.



Mrs. F. Doris Bennett, Mr. Carl J. Martini, Miss Mary E. Donovan

## C O M M E R C I A L   D E P A R T M E N T



Miss Barbara Walsh, Miss Mary E. Donovan

When a pupil graduates from the Commercial Course, under the supervision of Miss Barbara Walsh and Miss Mary E. Donovan, he can type, take dictation at a high rate of speed, and balance all kinds of accounts. Most of the yearbook work and a good deal of the duplication work for the school is done in the Commercial Department.

## M A T H E M A T I C S

Mrs. Hazel E. Ramer and Mr. Carl J. Martini teach the much needed subject of mathematics. The men and women of today cannot be without this valuable training and there is plenty of opportunity for developing master mathematicians at H.H.S.



Mr. Carl J. Martini, Mrs. Hazel E. Ramer





## S O C I A L   S C I E N C E

History, a "must" in H.H.S., is ably taught by three instructors, Miss Edith M. Anderson, Miss Mary E. Donovan and Mr. Warren Bennett. History is always in the making and we are kept informed on current events by our ever alert history department.



Mr. Warren Bennett, Miss Mary E. Donovan, Miss Edith M. Anderson

## E N G L I S H



Mrs. Marian Batchelder, Miss Ruth E. Austen

English, one of our most important high school subjects, is taught by Mrs. Laura W. Boyd and Miss Ruth E. Austen. Mrs. Boyd was granted a two months leave of absence because of illness this year, and her classes were taken over ably during that time by Mrs. Marian Batchelder. In addition to her English teaching, Miss Austen keeps herself busy training the Glee Clubs and the Orchestra.

## M A N U A L   T R A I N I N G

All of the school's printing work and a great many of our carpenter and repair jobs are done by the boys studying shop under the capable instruction of Mr. Elliott Hawkes. The shop is well equipped for a small school with a printing press, lathes, and all types of tools.



Mr. Elliott Hawkes





## H O M E   E C O N O M I C S

Future housewives and cooks are trained in the domestic science department; under the supervision of Miss Millicent Boswell. Miss Boswell is in a large way responsible for our very successful hot lunch program, of which so many students take advantage through the purchase of daily hot lunches.



Miss Millicent J. Boswell

## S C I E N C E



Mr. Wilbur Armstrong, Mrs. F. Doris Bennett

Whether you want to blow up the school, dissect a frog, or study photosynthesis, Mrs. F. Doris Bennett and Mr. Wilbur Armstrong are on hand to keep us well informed on the latest scientific news.

## L A N G U A G E S

For those students whose curiosity leads them to explore new languages, Mr. Frank J. Malone is ready to teach Latin, French or Spanish, the latter a new course added this year.



Mr. Frank J. Malone



MRS. MAE KNOWLTON  
MRS. MARGARET BACK

These are some ladies we couldn't do without. About mid-morning we smell those tempting aromas from the kitchen, and then 12:50 can't come quick enough. To Mrs. Back and Mrs. Knowlton goes the credit of keeping us well fed.



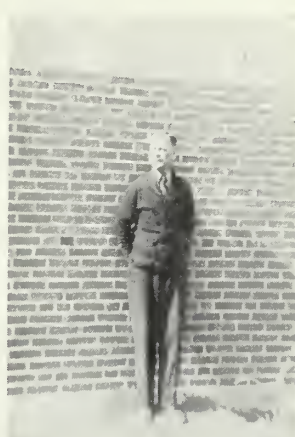
MISS FLORENCE STOBBART

We keep Miss Stobbart, our school nurse, quite busy on her weekly visits to the school. She is always checking up on colds and sore throats, and this year helped Dr. Rogers administer hearing tests and the Patch Test for T. B.



MRS. LAURA W. BOYD

Mrs. Boyd teaches College English. She was granted a leave of absence this year because of illness and was not in school at the time the faculty pictures were taken. However, we did get this snapshot which will always be a pleasant reminder of her to us.



MR. ANDREW DUNN

Mr. Dunn is one of the busiest persons around H. H. S. He doesn't ever seem to have time on his hands. How could he, between keeping us warm, sweeping up the papers we leave around, and seeing that things are locked and unlocked at the proper time?





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Gilman Allen  
"Bud"

Buddy, a willing helper of the class,  
Always is ready when he is asked.

Class Vice President 1; Outdoor Club 2;  
Student Council 1,2,3; Baseball 1,2,3,4;  
Athletic Association 2,3; Rifle Club 3;  
Varsity Club 3,4.



Nancy Brackett  
"Nancy"

A gleam in her eye. She's nice, she's  
witty.  
A friend to us all, and besides that,  
she's pretty.

Class Secretary 3; Cheer Leader 3; Junior  
Prom Committee 3; Class Ring Committee 3;  
Varsity Club 3,4; Field Hockey 4; Athletic  
Association 4; Yearbook Staff 3,4; Basket-  
ball 4.

Barbara Brooks  
"Barb"

Straight from the shoulder, jolly, sincere  
She's made many friends while here.

Pop-concert 3; Glee Club 1,2,3; Junior  
Prom Committee 3; Class Ring Committee 3;  
Outdoor Club 3; Yearbook Staff 4; Public  
Speaking Contest 4.



Catherine Carter  
"Cat"

An excellent friend, with personality plus.  
We're certainly glad "Cat" was one of us.  
Outdoor Club 2; Basketball 3; Field Hockey  
4.





Richard Child  
"Dick"

Willing and able, musically inclined.  
Search if you will-Dick's the only one of  
his kind.

Rifle Club 3; Junior Prom Committee 3;  
Orchestra 3,4; Pop-Concert 3,4; Football  
4; Baseball 4; Hi-Y-Club, Secretary 4; H.  
M.S. Pinefore 4; Varsity Club 4.



Howard Collyer  
"Howie"

He's quiet yet jolly  
His thoughts are his to keep,  
And yet we're told still water runs deep.

Class President 1; Baseball 1,2,3,4; Out-  
door Club President 2; Vice-President 2,  
3; Rifle Club, President 3; Hi-Y Club,  
Treasurer 3.

Mary Ann Cunningham  
"Mary Ann"

Winning smile, attractive clothes.  
She'll be tops, wherever she goes.

Outdoor Club 2; Dance Committee 2; Junior  
Prom Committee 3; Manager of Girls Bas-  
ketball 4; Yearbook Staff 4.

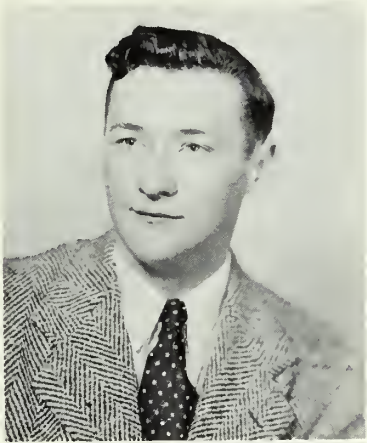


Caroline Dove  
"Carol"

Laughs and giggles from morn til' night.  
But with Carol's talent, she'll come out  
all right

Glee Club 1,2,3,4; Dramatic Club 1,2,3;  
School Play 3; Junior Prom Committee 3;  
Student Council 3; Yearbook 3,4; Outdoor  
Club 2; Tennis Club 3,4; H.M.S. Pinefore  
4; Tri-Hi-Y Club 4; Athletic Association  
4; Public Speaking Contest 4.





Thomas Duran  
"Tommy"

Although quiet, cool, calm, and collected  
With his dignified reserve, He's never  
found dejected.

Basketball 3,4; Student Council, Vice Pres-  
ident 3; Tennis Club 3; Fire Squad 3,4;  
Outdoor Club 2; Rifle Club 3; Mass. Boy's  
State 3; Varsity Club 3; Executive Commit-  
tee 4; H.M.S. Pinafore 4.



Earl Flynn  
"Earl"

Athlete and scholar,  
A gentlemen rare.  
Ever a smile--never a care.

Class President 2,3,4; Junior Prom Commit-  
tee 3; Baseball 3,4; Varsity Club 3,4;  
Athletic Association 3,4; Rifle Club 3,4;

Joan Foster  
"Joan"

Beauty and brains, a great combination.  
Whatever the odds, she'll be a sensation.

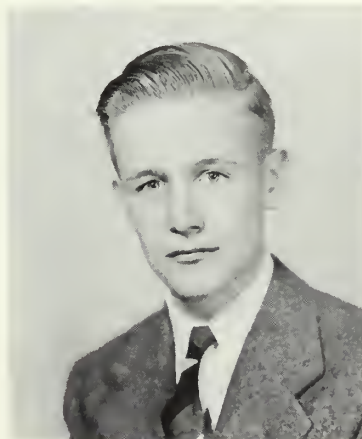
Glee Club 1,2,3 (President) 4; Class Sec-  
retary 2; Basketball 1,2,3,4; Field  
Hockey 1, (Captain) 4; Outdoor Club 2; Varsity  
Club 3 (President) 4; Class Treasurer 4;  
Athletic Association, President 4; H.M.S.  
Pinafore 4; Pop Concert 2,3,4; Class Ring  
Committee 3; Tennis Club (Secretary) 3,4;  
Public Speaking Contest 4; Tri-Hi-Y Club  
4; Fire Squad 4; Yearbook Staff 3, Editor,  
4.



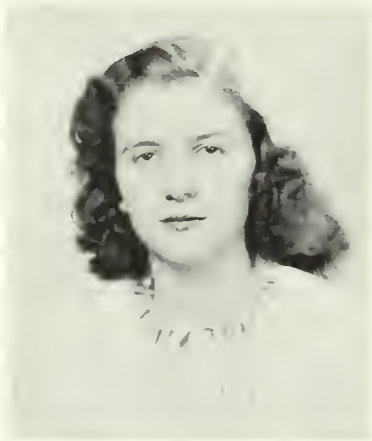
Theodore Holland  
"Teddy"

Teddy, our most talkative lad,  
Keeps us smiling when we are sad.

French Club 3; Athletic Association 3,4;  
Yearbook Staff 4; Fire Squad 4; Glee Club  
4; Rifle Club 4.







Lois Johnson  
"Johnnie"

Brilliant mind, shining smile.  
Folks like her make life worth while.

Dance Committee 1; Outdoor Club 3; Junior  
Prom Committee 3; Yearbook Staff 4.



Floyd Killam  
"Floyd"

Sincere, loyal, a good athlete.  
Floyd's personality is hard to beat.

Athletic Association 1; Football 4; Base-  
ball 4.

James Millerick  
"Jimmie"

With his natural curls, the only one.  
He's an ideal student, yet ready for fun.

Varsity Club 3,4; Athletic Association 3,  
4; Basketball 2,3; Baseball 3,4; Junior  
Prom Committee 3; Hi-Y Club 4; Class Vice  
President 4; H.M.S. Pinafore 4; Yearbook  
Staff 4; Glee Club 4.



Arthur Richard  
"Pinky"

Always full of fun and laughter.  
And he gets what he goes after.

Football 4; Baseball 4.





Robert Richard  
"Punch"

Our football champ of '46,  
His knowledge of shop also clicks.

Outdoor Club 2; Baseball 4; Basketball  
Manager 4; Football, Captain 4.



James Schofield  
"Snuffy"

His personality and friendly way,  
Have carried Jim through many a hard day.

Junior Prom Committee 3; Fire Squad 3,4;  
Baseball 4; Football 4; H.M.S. Pinefore 4;  
Basketball 4; Varsity Club, Executive Com-  
mittee 4; Athletic Association.

June Thayer  
"Junie"

A good sport, and an athlete, of the best.  
We know Junie will come out whatever the  
test

Outdoor Club 2; Pop Concert 2; School Play  
2; Student Council 2; Yearbook Staff 2,3;  
Field Hockey 1,4; Basketball 1,2,3, (Cap-  
tain 4; Varsity Club 3,4; Senior Recep-  
tion 3; Athletic Association 3,4.



Patricia Turner  
"Pet"

Happy-go-lucky,  
Tall and slender.  
Pat is an inspiration for all to remember

Class treasurer 1; Outdoor Club 2; Basket-  
ball 1,2,3,4; Junior Prom Committee 3;  
Glee Club 3,4; Athletic Association 4;  
Varsity Club; 4 H.M.S. Pinefore 4; Tri-Hi-Y  
Club 4.





Janet Walker  
"Jan"

Everyone's friend, full of fun.  
Ready to help, when work's to be done.

Outdoor Club 2; Pop-Concert 2; School Play  
2; Basketball 2,3,4; Varsity Club 3,4;  
Senior Reception 3; Athletic Association  
3,4; Field Hockey 4; Yearbook Staff 4.

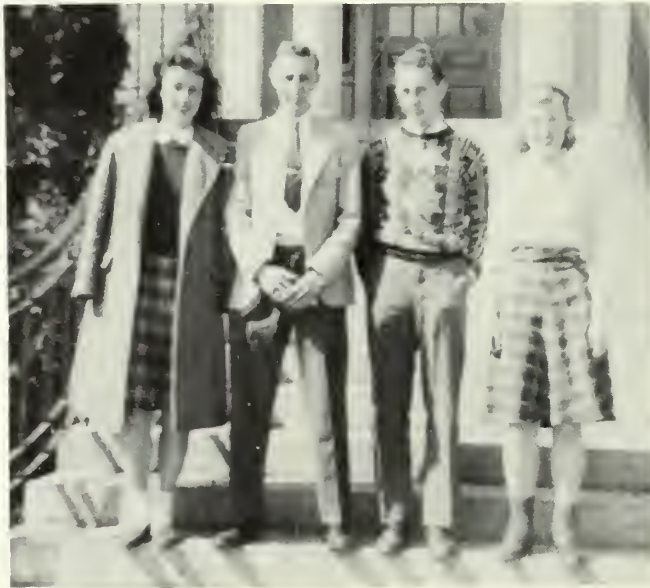


Shirley Whipple  
"Shirl"

Shirl, the blonde of our class,  
A champion thinker is this lass.

Glee Club 1,2,3,4; Class Secretary 1,4;  
Class Treasurer 3; Junior Prom Committee  
3; Outdoor Club 3; French Club 3; Gradua-  
tion Flower Committee 3; H.M.S. Pinafore  
4; Field Hockey 4; Yearbook Staff 4; Tri-  
Hi-Y Club, Vice president 4; Basketball  
Manager 4; Athletic Association 4.

#### SENIOR CLASS OFFICERS



President.....	Earl Flynn
Vice-President.....	James Millerick
Secretary.....	Shirley Whipple
Treasurer.....	Joan Foster





# CLASSES



FRESHMAN



JUNIOR



SOPHOMORE



SENIOR



# CLASS OF 1947



The Junior class elected the following officers early in September; Gerald Killam, President; Richard Foster, Vice-President; Mary Harrigan, Secretary; and Donald Foster, Treasurer.

The Juniors are well represented in the Tri-Hi-Y and the Hi-Y clubs this year, and it is through the efforts of many of them that this club has been successful.

Gerald Killam, of the class of '47, was Co-Captain of the football team, and Chief of the Fireman Squad. Other members of the class did their share in basketball, cheerleading, hockey, and music.

One of our main interests this year, is getting prepared for the Junior Prom on May 24th. Committees have been set up, and all are very much interested in making our Prom a success. Mr. Martini, our class adviser, suggested a Pre Prom Spree dance before the prom, the purpose of which was to raise money so that we might be able to hire a good orchestra for our prom. Different committees were chosen, and the date for the dance was set at April 5th.

Next September, the Class of 1947, will start upon its Senior Year. We realize the task before us, and are looking forward anxiously to undertake our responsibilities as leaders of the school.

George Andrews  
Creighton Blenkhorn  
Le Roy Carter  
Peter Chisholm  
Richard Cox  
Gordon Crosby  
Ruth Dodge  
Donald Foster

Richard Foster  
Marion Fuller  
Ena Gardiner  
Jean Gourdeau  
Joan Gourdeau  
Donald Haraden  
Mary Harrigan  
Gerald Killam

Donna Love  
Ann McLean  
Betty Morris  
Raymond Moulton  
Philip Perkins  
June Peters  
Lois Peterson  
Elizabeth Pope





# CLASS OF 1948



We, the sophomores, held our first class meeting in September, 1945, and elected our class officers as follows: President, Theodore Maione; Vice-President, Alvin Whipple; Secretary, Helen Jean Lander; Treasurer, Betty O'Donnell.

We were very unfortunate in having our adviser, Mrs. Boyd, absent due to illness about three months this year. Our class collected money and through the efforts of Betty O'Donnell our treasurer, secured a beautiful basket of fruit, which we sent to Mrs. Boyd.

Under the successful guidance of Mrs. Batchelder, our substitute teacher, our class has continued a successful year. Some of our classmates appear in the School Orchestra, the Glee Clubs, basketball, football and cheerleading activities.

Others of our class, namely, Roger Merry, Barbara Whipple, Arthur Washburn, Helen Jean Lander, Nancy Chittick, Robert Brooks, and Henry Tobyne appeared in "H. M. S. Pinafore", one of the most important events of the year.

We are looking forward to hard work and fun as the Junior Class when we come back in September.

Robert Brooks  
Audrey Brown  
Nancy Chittick  
Charles Cullity  
Rosina Dagresta  
Richard Deshon  
David Gardiner  
Donald Grant  
Maurice Hatt  
Zelda Hughes

Leigh Keyser  
Shirley Killam  
Helen Jean Lander  
Theodore Maione  
Roger Merry  
Hilda Moad  
Betty O'Donnell  
Bernard Perkins  
Alice Pooler  
Fred Rauscher  
Esther Ricker

Jack Rice  
Helen Ross  
Thalia Seaver  
Ruth Thompson  
Ethel Tillson  
Henry Tobyne  
Arthur Washburn  
Alta Wheatley  
Alvin Whipple  
Barbara Whipple





# CLASS OF 1949



Under the guidance and leadership of Mr. Malone, the freshman class has attained 100% in the purchase of war stamps each week while the war stamps were being sold. Girls in the class participated in the hockey team in the fall; the boys were well represented in basketball and baseball.

In November it was our turn to present a program for assembly. We had a comedy skit in which a few talented members of the class took part. It was very successful. One member of our class, George Bilodeau took a lead in the operetta, "Pinafore." On April 5th in a Public Speaking Contest for the Junior High, Robert Poole was awarded first prize, which made us very proud. We have made no plans for a class party as yet, but we hope to enjoy some kind of social time before our year as freshmen is gone.

Jean Austin  
George Bilodeau  
Barbara Butler  
Dwight Campbell  
Gelean Campbell  
Harlan Clock, Jr.  
Ann Cullity  
Allan DeWitt

Ann Edmondson  
Frank Edmondson  
Wallace Flynn  
Barbara Haley  
Dorothy Hatt  
Alice Lightbody  
Theresa Malone  
Paul Marks  
John Peterson

Robert Poole  
William Rauscher  
Geraldine Sargent  
Edward Seaver, Jr.  
Roger Taylor  
Claire Thayer  
Raymond Tremblay  
Robert Trussell  
Marlene Wilson



# CLASS OF 1950



In September, we had the honor of having the first assembly of the year. It was called "Important Days of September". Fifteen girls and four boys took part in it. We were the second class to gain 100% in the Junior Red Cross Drive this year.

When James Tate, one of our classmates, was in the hospital, we helped him to pass the time away with two books, a model airplane, and a very nice card. Our annual Christmas Party with the Seventh Grade was a memorable occasion. Presents were exchanged. Mr. Towne, Mrs. Ramer, Mrs. Holmes, and Mrs. Bennett were our guests.

Our grade was the first to obtain a 100% collection in the January Infantile Paralysis Drive. \*

On February 15, we conducted an interesting quiz as an assembly program. Lollipops were given as prizes. Ours is a patriotic class, as we have maintained the record of over 90% of the class buying Victory Savings Stamps.

Donald Allen  
Louise Amirault  
Thomas Brown  
Frederick Burns  
Daniel Counihan  
Marina Crolly  
Roberta Cronin  
Joan DeCourcy  
Joanne Dixon  
Richard Dennis  
Dorothy Grant

Philomena Holleran  
Sylvia Humphrey  
Hallett Johnson  
Arthur Maidment  
Albert Mazzetta  
John McLean  
Edwin Morrow  
Mildred Pooler  
Jean Rauscher  
Beatrice Ricker  
Georgiana Roy  
Shirley Sargeant

David Shannon  
James Tate  
Jean Thimmer  
Marlene Titus  
Robert Tremblay  
Albert Trepanier  
Elizabeth Trepanier  
Ann Walke  
Paul Wallace  
Beverley Wentworth  
Donald Woodman





# CLASS OF 1951



The Seventh Grade began its High School career in September, 1945. High School was new and strange to us and we had to make many changes in the habits which we had formed at the Lamson School. But we grew up rapidly in those first days, and we can look back with laughter at some of the mistakes we made.

First of all, we had to get used to the lockers in which we keep our books and coats. How easy it is to lose that key and how hard to remember to bring the right books and papers for the morning classes. Changing rooms also made most of us form the habit of carefully collecting all of our belongings.

For our assembly program in October we produced a play called "Safety First" and recited the poem "Columbus". Together with the Eighth Grade, we had a lot of fun at the Christmas party in the Cafeteria. We were proud to lead the rest of the school in the Magazine Drive. We took in the most money of any of the classes in the school.

In February, Mr. Warren Bennett became our teacher. He had returned from the Army Air Corps and took the place of his wife who had been his military substitute. We've got off to a good start at Hamilton High this year and will continue to make history, so that the Class of '51 will be the best ever.

Joan April  
Barbara Bennett  
Marguerite Caverly  
Elizabeth Clock  
Richard Dodge  
John Donaldson  
Bertha Eskelson  
Barbara Foss  
Gloria Gardiner  
Richard Gourdeau

Stanley Gusowski  
Charles Harding  
George Jermy  
David Kinsella  
Lucy Ann Lander  
Anne Lombard  
Diane Love  
Jeannett Maidment  
Ann MacCurach  
Joan Palm

Jane Pariseau  
Gerald Saunders  
Lee Schofield  
Evelyn Soper  
Virginia Stelline  
Laura Tate  
Lee Tremblay  
Edmund Wentworth  
Richard Wiggin  
Joseph Yeaton



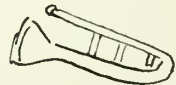


# WHO'S WHO H.H.S. - 1946

Best Looking	JACK RICE	DONNA LOVE
Most Popular	GERALD KILLAM	JOAN FOSTER
Done Most for the School	ROBERT RICHARD	JOAN FOSTER
Most Likely to Succeed	THOMAS BROWN	ANN MacCURRACH
Most Talkative	CHARLES CULLITY	SHIRLEY KILLAM
Most Athletic	CREIGHTON BLENKHORN	JUNE THAYER
Biggest Bluffer	FRED RAUSCHER	JEAN RAUSCHER
Biggest Eater	LE ROY CARTER	BETTY MORRIS
Biggest Flirt	PETER CHISHOLM	BARBARA WHIPPLE
Best Dancers	EARL FLYNN	NANCY BRACKETT
Worst Tease	WALTER TILLSON	BETTY O'DONNELL
Best Sports	GERALD KILLAM	MARY HARRIGAN
Peppiest	CHARLES CULLITY	SHIRLEY KILLAM
Quietest	THOMAS BROWN	LOIS JOHNSON
Prettiest Eyes	DONALD FOSTER	THALIA SEAVER
Noisiest	CHARLES CULLITY	SHIRLEY KILLAM
Jolliest	HOWARD COLLYER	BETTY O'DONNELL
Best Students	THOMAS BROWN	ANN MacCURRACH
Most Versatile	DONALD HARADEN	JOAN FOSTER
Most Dependable	ALVIN WHIPPLE	SHIRLEY WHIPPLE
Most Dignified	DONALD FOSTER	BARBARA HALEY
Most Sophisticated	EARL FLYNN	JEAN GOURDEAU



# ACTIVITIES





# HONOR ROLL

1<sup>ST</sup>

Joan Foster  
Lois Johnson  
Alice Pooker  
Barbara Flaky  
Donald Woodman  
Rita Cullinane  
Thomas Brown  
Ann MacCurrach

2<sup>ND</sup>

Richard Foster  
Mary Harrigan  
Hilda Mad  
Ann Walke  
Barbara Bennett  
Jane Pariseau  
Mildred Pooker  
Philomena Holleran  
Theodore Maione







## GLEE CLUB



First Row (left to right) J. Dixon, S. Hummrey, A. Walke, R. Cronin, R. Dagresta, J. Rauscher, L. Peterson, J. Gourdeau, S. Wentworth, J. Peters. Second Row (left to right) E. Whipple, S. Whipple, H. Lander, B. Pone, A. McLean, E. Gardiner, Miss Austen, Director, J. Gourdeau, M. Harrigan, P. Turner, N. Chittick, C. Dove, J. Foster, M. Fuller. Third Row (left to right) H. Johnson, T. Malone, W. Rauscher, R. Brooks, G. Bilodeau, G. Campbell, J. Schofield, A. Washburn, C. Blenkhorn. Last Row (left to right) H. Tobyne, F. Rauscher, J. Millerick, T. Duran, F. Merry, R. Moulton, R. Child, D. Foster.

The Glee Club opened up this new year with a performance for the Mother's Club. They have given musical assemblies and filled in on other teachers' programs. At the Christmas Concert the Girls' Glee Club gave an attractive group of part songs and at the Public Speaking Contest in April they furnished musical interludes.

When production for "H. M. S. Pinafore" was started, a Boys' Glee Club was formed to take the male roles and was so successful that they have continued.



## ORCHESTRA



At Piano, R. Child. Standing (left to right) Miss Austen, Director, D. Love, H. Johnson, L. Keyser, T. Maione, R. Brooks, R. Moulton, J. DeCourcy. Seated at drums (left to right) G. Crosby, F. Burns, R. Dodge.

The orchestra has been the supporting feature at most of the assemblies. The pupils march in and out of the Auditorium to the strains of some well-known march, and at empty intervals the space is filled by some lilting melody.

The Christmas Concert was given a touch of school spirit by our own orchestra offering our school songs.

The opening and intermission overtures at the operetta "H. M. S. Pinafore" were played by them, and moral of all contestants was perked up by our orchestra at the Public Speaking Contest.





## CHEER LEADERS



(Left to right) D. Love, J. Gourdeau, B. Whipple, S. Killam, L. Peterson, J. Gourdeau.

This year, the Cheerleaders had a very successful season. Besides cheering for the basketball games, they also helped in making Hamilton's newly organized football team get off to a good start.

During the first month of the basketball season, green pins with Hamilton printed in white were made up to sell to the students to help buy new uniforms.

A Ragamuffin Hallowe'en dance was sponsored for the same purpose. Between dancing and a scavenger hunt and other games, Mr. Hawkes, our adviser, saw to it that everyone participated in the evening's entertainment.

We selected Shirley Killam as our head cheerleader for the year, and she proved most helpful to us in leading new cheers and in directing us through the year.



### HI-Y AND TRI-HI-Y



First Row (left to right) Mr. Martini, Boys' Adviser, M. Harrigan, D. Love, S. Whipple, J. Gourdeau, R. Child, T. Duran, D. Foster, H. Collyer, Miss Donovan, Girls' Adviser. Second Row (left to right) H. Lander, B. Whipple, M. Wilson, J. Peters, C. Dove, J. Foster, A. Chittick, P. Turner, T. Seaver, B. Haley, M. Carlson, A. Edmondson. Last Row (left to right) P. Marks, T. Maione, W. Flynn, A. Whipple, D. Haraden, J. Millerick, R. Herry, R. Foster.

The Hi-Y and Tri-Hi-Y Clubs were newly organized in the fall at Hamilton High. The purpose of the Hi-Y Fellowship is: "To create, maintain, and extend throughout the school and community, high standards of Christian Character."

It is connected with the Y. M. C. A. and Y. W. C. A., and these clubs are formed to provide recreation for youth in communities where there is no Y. M. C. A.

We have two advisers, Miss Mary E. Donovan for the Tri-Hi-Y and Mr. Carl J. Martini for the Hi-Y. Every week meetings are held. There are 32 members in the club up to date, but in the near future we hope to increase this membership.

The club is working on projects to help the needy and for other necessary causes. We have sponsored several activities this year--a dance in November, a Christmas Party, a raffle, an April Fool Party to which we invited the Ipswich Clubs, and in the spring we are planning a "mystery bike ride".

The officers of these clubs are as follows: Hi-Y--President, D. Foster; Vice-President, T. Duran; Secretary, R. Child; Treasurer, H. Collyer. Tri-Hi-Y--President, D. Love; Vice-President, S. Whipple; Secretary, M. Harrigan; Treasurer, J. Gourdeau.

Members of the club have found a great deal of enjoyment in the various activities, and much of the success of the club is due to the enthusiastic support of our advisers, who have given generously of their time and efforts in its behalf.





# VARSAITY CLUB



First Row (left to right) J. Schofield, F. Child, T. Duran, R. Richard, G. Allen, J. Foster, J. Thayer, J. Walker, N. Brackett, E. Flynn. Second Row (left to right) W. Reuscher, S. Killam, D. Love, N. Chittick, J. Gourdeau, L. Peterson, M. Harrigan, J. Gourdeau, B. Whipple, D. Heraden, C. Cullity. Last Row (left to right) A. Richard, F. Killam, H. Collyer, A. Whipple, W. Tillson, R. Foster, J. Millerick, G. Killam, C. Blenkhorn, A. Washburn, R. Brooks.

In order to promote better sportsmanship, to further scholastic achievements, to provide for organized athletics, and to increase the school activities at Hamilton High School, the Varsity Club was organized last June.

Through the Varsity Club's Constitution, rules and regulations regarding the schedule and fulfillment of activities can be systematically controlled.

A banquet is planned every year to which all pupils receiving a letter in any activity are invited. Athletic awards are given out at this time. A president to serve the following year is elected at this banquet. The first affair of this sort was held last June at the Yankee Doodle Diner in Lawrence. Previous to the banquet, members of the club enjoyed an afternoon of fun at Canobie Lake in Salem, New Hampshire.

Officers for 1945-1946 were: President, Joan Foster; Executive Committee: Thomas Duran, James Schofield, Gerald Killam, Mary Harrigan, Nancy Chittick, Robert Brooks, and Robert Trussell.



"H. M. S. PINAFORE"  
A Smash Hit

The Maxwell Norman Auditorium at the Hamilton High School was filled to capacity for the presentation of the Gilbert and Sullivan operetta "H. M. S. Pinafore" staged by the students of the upper classes, under the direction of the music director, Miss Ruth E. Austen.

The production proved one of the finest ever given in Hamilton, nothing but words of praise being heard at the close. Great credit is due Miss Austen for her efforts in putting on such a finished production.

The shop students and Mr. Hawkes built and painted the scenery for the stage. The setting, a scene on the quarterdeck of the H. M. S. Pinafore, presented a typical ship with sailors swabbing decks. The costumes were in keeping with the play. "Little Buttercup" dressed in yellow with blue poke bonnet, "Josephine", in dainty blue, and "Hebe", in lovely pink, made a striking picture. The money realized from the undertaking will probably be used to purchase new music for the school.

THE CAST

Captain Corcoran	- - - - -	GEORGE BILODEAU
Sir Joseph	- - - - -	ROBERT BROOKS
Dick Deadeye	- - - - -	WILLIAM RAUSCHER
Ralph Rackstraw	- - - - -	ROGER MERRY
Boatswain	- - - - -	CREIGHTON BLENKHORN
Buttercup	- - - - -	SHIRLEY WHIPPLE
Josephine	- - - - -	LOIS PETERSON
Hebe	- - - - -	HELEN JEAN LANDER

THE CREW

Gelean Campbell	Raymond Moulton
Richard Child	Fred Rauscher
Thomas Duran	James Schofield
Donald Foster	James Tate
James Millerick	Henry Tobyne
Theodore Maione	Arthur Washburn

"SIR JOSEPH'S SISTERS, COUSINS, AND AUNTS"

Nancy Chittick	Mary Harrigan
Roberta Cronin	Sylvia Humphrey
Rosina Dagresta	Anne McLean
Joanne Dixon	June Peters
Joan Foster	Betty Pope
Marion Fuller	Jean Rauscher
Ena Gardiner	Patricia Turner
Gloria Gardiner	Ann Walke
Jean Gourdeau	Shirley Wentworth
Joan Gourdeau	Barbara Whipple

Piano Accompanist--Caroline Dove





"H. M. S. PINAFORE"



The Cast at Rehearsal



Buttercup, Josephine, and "The Right Good Crew"



"H. M. S. PINAFORE"



The Captain Yields His Rank to Ralph

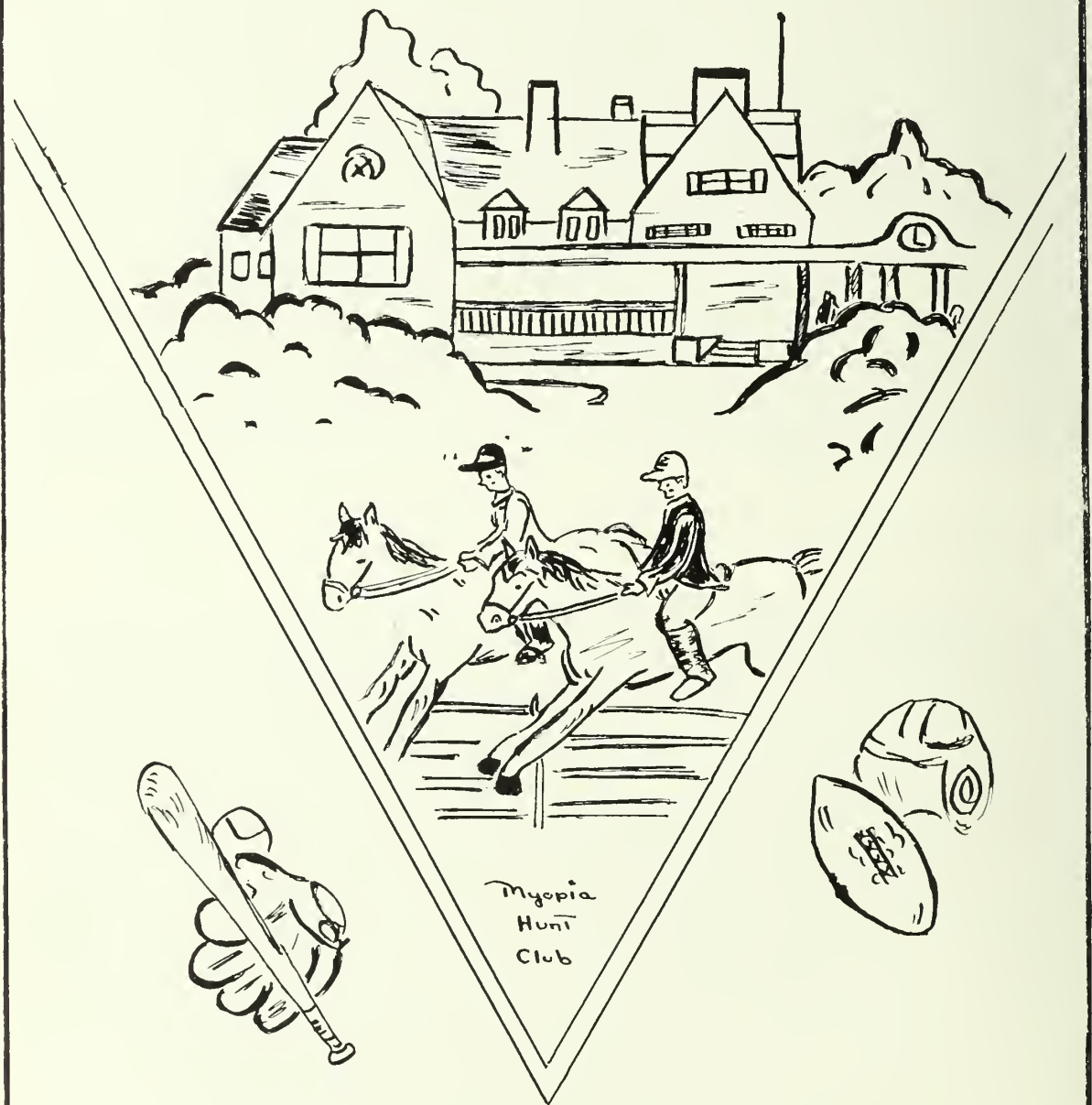


The Finale





# SPORTS





## FOOTBALL



First Row (left to right) A. Richards, R. Brooks, F. Killam, R. Richards, R. Child, J. Schofield, G. Killam. Second Row (left to right) Coach Hawkes, Manager H. Tobyne, G. Allen, R. Foster, W. Flynn, A. Whipple, J. Tate, W. Rauscher, H. Collyer, Ass't. Coach Wilde.

## FOOTBALL

A plucky group of Hamilton High School students made possible an active fall sports program such as Hamilton has not had in many years. The desire to have a football squad was finally fulfilled when sufficient money was raised on a magazine drive.

The team began practice under Mr. Carl Martini, physical education director, and was taken over by Mr. Elliott Hawkes and Mr. David Wilde when Mr. Martini became ill. A six-man team was formed, and although their season did not start until November, they showed plenty of action and performed spectacularly, winning five out of seven games. An eleven-man squad is anticipated next season and with the spirit that is shown, we are sure it will develop.

### 1945 FOOTBALL RESULTS 1945

	Hamilton	Opponent
Wenham Boy's Club	34	12
Essex Aggie	2	1
St. John's Prep	6	19
Manchester	6	2
Essex Aggie	19	12
Manchester	0	25
Danvers JV.	19	0





## FIELD HOCKEY



First Row (left to right) M. Harrigan, J. Gourdeau, J. Foster, W. Brackett, J. Gourdeau. Second Row (left to right) G. Tate, W. Chittick, A. McLean, C. Carter, J. Walker, S. Whipple, J. Thayer

## FIELD HOCKEY

Interest in hockey this season was quite intense and the turnout was very good. Despite this, many of the neighboring schools had not taken up hockey, which was abandoned during the war, and the result was only three games played. The girls were ably coached by Mrs. F. Doris Bennett, and we are sure, if there were more games, there would have been more victories. Quite a bit of ability is shown in the underclassmen and hockey for the next season looks very promising.

	Hamilton	Opponent
Topsfield	0	4
Topsfield	1	1
Boy's Football Team	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{4}{9}$



## VARSITY BASKETBALL



First Row (left to right) J. Rice, G. Killam, R. Brooks, D. Haraden, R. Foster, C. Blenkhorn. Second Row (left to right) Coach Towne, J. Schofield, T. Duran, W. Flynn, W. Rauscher, Manager R. Richard

Mr. Towne took over the coaching job this year and gave the boy's a season of real rugged basketball. He called the squad out for its first practice early in December. About fifteen boy's turned out, of which seven were inexperienced. Therefore, it was necessary to spend a great deal of time on fundamentals. The squad scrimmaged against Beverly High and St. John's Prep of Danvers. This proved to be excellent practice for the boys, for both teams are very fast and tricky.

The boys opened the season with a game with Hampton Academy of Hampton, New Hampshire. This served very much as an experimental game to pick out the best five men. The boys gave them a good game, although losing by a score of 37-27.

The team ended its season with a record of five wins against nine defeats. This was a good record considering the material with which the team began. The boys wish to thank Mr. Towne for the excellent coaching which he gave throughout the period. Much credit is due the cheerleaders for their fine job in leading the spectators in cheers and songs. They helped encourage the team, and kept the games interesting throughout the season.

### Season Results

Hampton	37	Hamilton	27	December 18, 1945
Merrimac	12	Hamilton	21	<b>January</b> 8, 1946
Ipswich	27	Hamilton	21	January 11, 1946
Essex Aggie	11	Hamilton	29	January 15, 1946
Rockport	17	Hamilton	14	January 18, 1946
Essex Aggie	27	Hamilton	14	January 23, 1946
Manchester	23	Hamilton	17	January 25, 1946
West Newbury	23	Hamilton	21	January 29, 1946
Rockport	31	Hamilton	28	February 1, 1946
Georgetown	16	Hamilton	26	February 5, 1946
Manchester	33	Hamilton	24	February 8, 1946
Merrimac	30	Hamilton	38	February 11, 1946
West Newbury	17	Hamilton	31	February 12, 1946
Ipswich	42	Hamilton	23	February 14, 1946





## GIRLS' BASKETBALL



First Row (left to right) J. Foster, N. Chittick, M. Harrigan, Capt. J. Thayer, J. Walker, B. O'Donnell, P. Turner. Second Row (left to right) Coach Donovan, J. Gourdeau, J. Gourdeau, B. Pope, A. McLean, N. Brackett, D. Love, B. Thompson, Manager S. Whipple, Ass't Manager, M. A. Cunningham.

The Senior High Girls started the basketball season under the coaching of Miss Mary Donovan. Practices were held each Tuesday and Friday afternoon.

The girls elected Shirley Whipple as Manager, Mary Anne Cunningham, Assistant Manager, and June Thayer as Captain.

The girls played and won more games this year than they did last year as there were four seniors on the first team, who have been on teams in previous years. They won four out of eight games, whereas last year's team won three out of five games.

Every girl on the team was very outstanding during the whole season, which was all due to the excellent coaching of Miss Donovan. The second team was also under the coaching of Miss Donovan. The team consisted of Sophomores, Juniors, and Seniors who played very good games.

### GAMES

Jan. 23	Hamilton---	22	At Rockport-----	24
23	Hamilton---	14*	At Rockport-----	28*
25	Hamilton---	21	At Ipswich-----	28
25	Hamilton---	8*	At Ipswich-----	17*
29	Hamilton---	25	At West Newbury---	29
30	At Hamilton---	16	Manchester-----	18
Feb. 5	At Hamilton---	27	Georgetown-----	15
11	Hamilton---	18	At Groveland-----	26
12	At Hamilton---	12	West Newbury---	10
13	At Hamilton---	28	Rockport-----	17
13	At Hamilton---	8*	Rockport-----	20*

\* Second Team Games



## JUNIOR VARSITY BASKETBALL



First Row (left to right) R. Trussell, F. Edmondson, W. Rauscher, D. Allen, H. Johnson. Second Row (left to right) E. Seaver, D. Campbell, G. Campbell, W. Flynn, R. Poole, P. Marks, Coach Hawkes.

The Junior Varsity Basketball team had a successful season, winning half of the games that they played. Wallace Flynn and Bill Rausher were the high scorers for the team and they also played as substitutes with the Varsity Team.

### SCORES

Hamilton---	5	Merrimac----	14
Hamilton---	5	Ipswich-----	35
Hamilton---	12	Essex Aggie--	16
Hamilton---	17	Rockport-----	8
Hamilton---	16	Essex Aggie--	13
Hamilton---	6	Manchester---	22
Hamilton---	22	Rockport-----	14
Hamilton---	11	Manchester---	22
Hamilton---	39	Merrimac-----	6
Hamilton---	18	Ipswich-----	15





## BASEBALL



First Row (left to right) Coach Martini, R. Brooks, G. Allen, H. Collyer, G. Campbell, C. Cullity, D. Campbell, R. Richard. Second Row (left to right) A. Richard, C. Blenkhorn, L. Keyser, A. Washburn, J. Millerick, G. Andrews, R. Child, A. Whipple.

Hamilton High's Baseball Team is anticipating another successful season. Most of last year's squad is back again, making it stronger than last year. The team is being coached by Mr. Martini, who did such an excellent job last year. The candidates for positions are; Catcher, Alvin Whipple; Pitcher, Creighton Blenkhorn, George Andrews, Dwight Campbell and Leigh Keyser; First Base, James Millerick; Second Base, Charles Cullity; Short-Stop, Robert Brooks; Third Base, Arthur Richard; Left Field, Jack Rice; Center Field, Earl Flynn; Right Field, Howard Collyer; Substitutes, Gilman Allen, Arthur Washburn, Robert Richard, Gelean Campbell, Richard Child, Robert Poole, and Wallace Flynn. Having a strong team and some very capable substitutes, we should hold our own whatever the opposition may be.

### PROBABLE BASEBALL SCHEDULE

April	12	No. Andover -----	At Home
	20	Brooks Academy -----	At Home
	23	No. Andover -----	At No. Andover
	26	Open -----	Open
	30	Ipswich -----	At Ipswich
May	1	Brooks Academy -----	At Brooks Academy
	7	Punchard -----	At Punchard
	10	Ipswich -----	At Home
	15	Rockport -----	At Rockport
	16	Punchard -----	At Home
	22	Rockport -----	At Home
	24	Hampton -----	At Hampton
	30	Alumni Game (probable)	



## ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION



HAMILTON HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION OFFICERS  
First Row (left to right) T. Duran, J. Foster, G. Killam, N. Chittick. Second  
Row (left to right) C. Blenkhorn, D. Love, S. Whipple, J. Rice.

The Athletic Association was formed this year and membership is acquired merely by the purchase of an Athletic Ticket. This ticket serves as admission to all athletic events at the high school and partial payment is allowed on the HAMILTONIAN. It is necessary for all students participating in sports to be members of the Athletic Association.

Officers for the organization were elected as follows: President, Joan Foster; Vice-President, Gerald Killam. The executive committee consists of: Thomas Duran, Shirley Whipple, Creighton Blenkhorn, Donna Love, Jack Rice, and Nancy Chittick.





# Calendar of Events

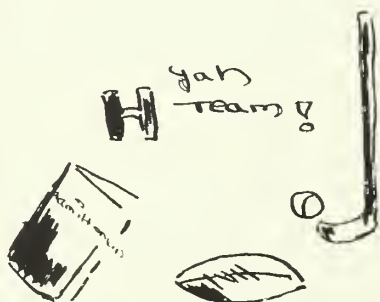
## September

September 5th was a sad day when school opened, but soon interest in having a football team was mounting. The first assembly of the school year under the direction of Miss Anderson, entitled, "September," put us in the mood for regular routine again. Miss Donovan and Miss Austin were welcomed to the faculty.



## October

This year's magazine drive, now an annual event at the school, was held. Money from this drive was used for the purchase of athletic equipment for the school. A "Ragamuffin Dance" was sponsored by the cheerleaders to raise money for new uniforms. One of the outstanding assemblies of the month was the one in which Sgt. Joseph Phaneuf related his experiences as a prisoner of war of the Japanese.



## November

The boys' football team and the girls' hockey team finished up their season. The Hi-Y and Tri-Hi-Y Clubs were formed, and sponsored a dance to purchase records for the school. The HAMILTONIAN was awarded 4th place in yearbooks from thirty-five states by the Columbia Scholastic Press Association.



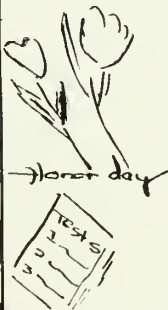
## December

The highlight of this month was the Annual Christmas Pop Concert which was postponed out of respect for General Patton, who died on December 21. It was held a week later than planned. We had an unusually long vacation because of a coal shortage, but were soon back to the old grind getting ready for mid-year exams.



## January

Mid-year examinations were given. Mr. Dana Cotton, Guidance Director at Harvard University, talked to the students on the topic "Location and What To Do About It". January 25th was Honor Day at H. H. S. Revised schedule of classes after exams.



## February

The Annual Exhibit was held at the High School on Feb. 15th. Hearing tests were given to all students. Basketball over for the season. Vacation the week of Feb. 17th.



## March

The Gilbert and Sullivan operatta, "H. M. S. Pinafore," was held March 8th. Patch tests for T. B. were given. Mr. Warren Bennett rejoined the faculty after military leave of absence. Mrs. Boyd also was welcomed back after a two month's leave of absence for illness.



## April

Tri-Hi-Y and Hi-Y gathering with the Ipswich Club in the auditorium April 1st. Pre-Prom-Spree Dance sponsored by the Junior Class April 5. The HAMILTONIAN went to press April 12, and the hustle and bustle was over for another year.





may

Baseball is at it's height. The Junior Prom was the gala event of the month. The 1946 issue of the HAMILTONIAN came off the press.

June

Examinations were given. A big month for the seniors with Graduation, Class Day, and the Reception. A happy day when school closes and another year is over.



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CLASS OF 1945

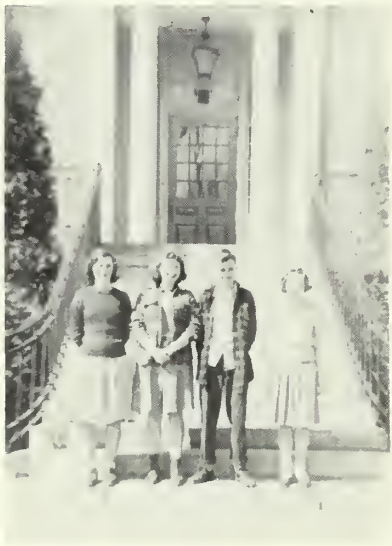
WHERE THEY WENT TO

ALICE ADAMS-----	Student, West Hill, Boston
PHYLLIS APPLETON-----	WAVES, U. S. Navy
ALLAN ARMINGTON-----	Student, Tufts College
ALTON ARMINGTON-----	Student, Tufts College
ALLAN CAMPBELL-----	United States Navy
MERTIE CHILD-----	Student, Burdett College
JOHN COX-----	Employed, Clark and Friend, Salem
ELIZABETH FELTIS-----	Training for Nurse, Beverly Hospital
BARBARA FOSTER-----	Bookkeeper, Wenham Exchange.
GENE FOSTER-----	Student, Mass. Art School, Boston
ELIZABETH HOLLAND-----	Student, Lasell Junior College
ROBERT McDONALD-----	United States Navy
VERONICA McPARLAND-----	Employed, Bookkeeper, Lynn
ANNE NIELSEN-----	Student, Radcliffe College
PAULINE TOBYNE-----	Employed, New Eng. Tel. and Tel.
PAUL TUCKER-----	United States Navy
LLOYD WALKER-----	United States Navy





# SNAPSHOTS



*Officers of '50*



*Officers of '51*



*Ticklish?*

*Dejected?*



*Hurry, hurry - you'll be late!*



DANVERS VS. HAMILTON



Roger and Tom on the "Nancy C."



Familiar Scene



A TRUE FRIEND



ALMA MATER



Before the Game





*Going Steady??*



*JUST AT THAT AGE!*



*- THE LINE-UP -*



*Coach M. bats them out*



*- Luncheon Gabfest -*



*- FIRE-DRILL -*





"Punch and Howie"



Three Musketeers



Three's A Crowd!



The Grove Limited!



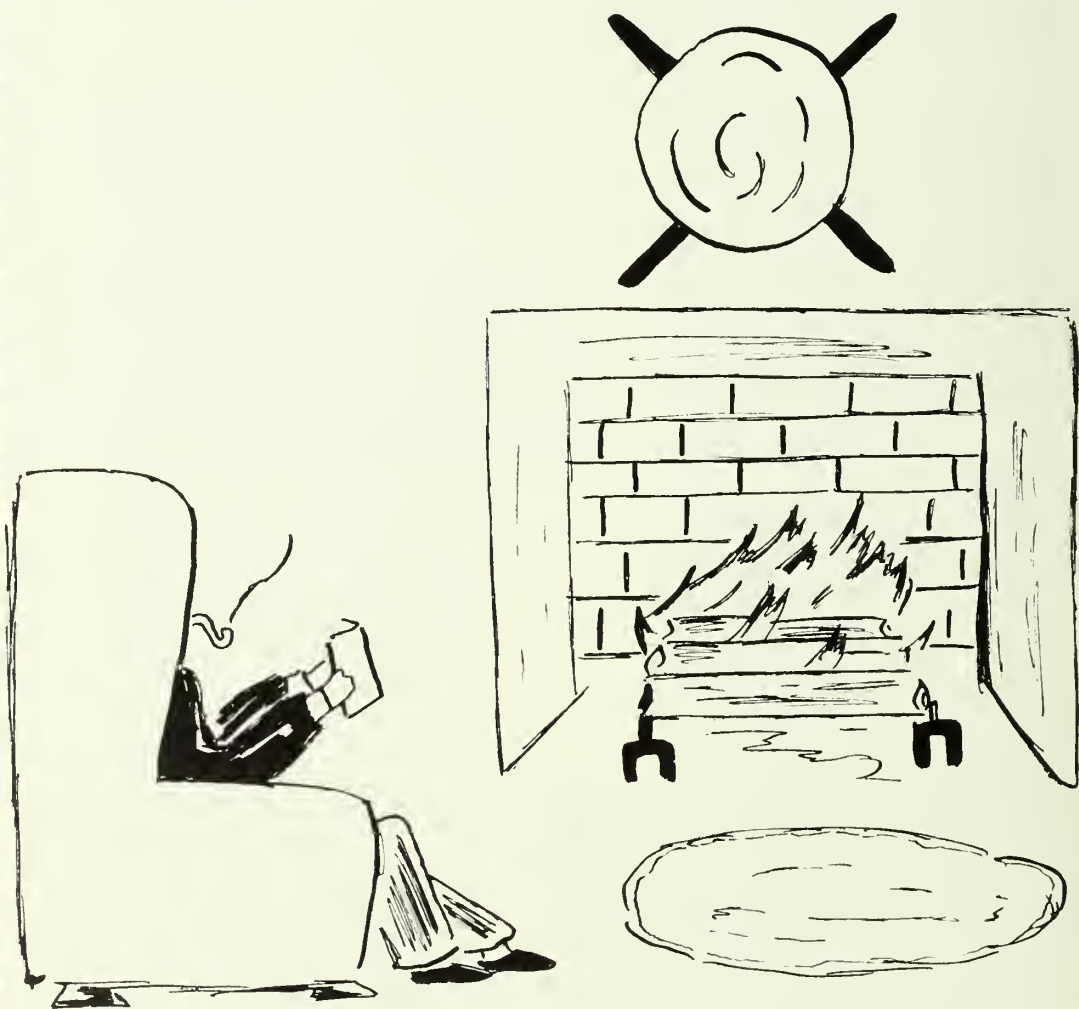
- Football Fans -



Peanut and Jim at Practice



# OUR LITERATURE





# A STORY

## AN ANSWERED PRAYER

On the afternoon of December 7, 1941, Joe Smith, an average American boy, sat, as he did every Sunday, reading the paper, and listening to the radio. Suddenly, the music stopped, and an announcement came over the radio that was to change the lives of all the Joe Smiths of America. It was the announcement that the Japs had bombed Pearl Harbor!

For a moment, Joe was stunned; but when he realized what the announcement really meant, he vowed that he would go and fight, and even sacrifice his life if need be, for his country. That night, he told his mother and father what he planned to do. They would have liked Joe to have continued on with college for a while; but if it was his wish to join-up, they certainly would not stand in his way. The next day, Joe joined the Infantry, but he was not called for ten days. This time he spent with his parents and his girl friend, Mary. Mary was just an average American girl, but to Joe she was the sweetest, most wonderful girl in the world.

How those ten days flew! Before Joe could realize it, they were up; and he reported at the post office building. From there, he was sent to Camp Crowder, Missouri. At first, Joe was terribly home sick; but, with all the news, either in Mary's or his mother's letters, Joe soon adjusted himself to another camp further west where he studied for combat. How happy Joe was when he received his first leave! He could hardly wait to see his parents and especially Mary.

Joe knew that this would be his one and only leave, but he was not going to worry his mother and father, so he decided not to tell them until he went back to camp. Joe seemed to have just come home when he had to go back again; but he went with a willing and a happy heart, because he knew he would take with him the memory of that last night with Mary, when they had walked down to the shore to watch the moon rise. They seemed to be in a world by themselves. Joe did not have to tell Mary he was being sent over seas, she sensed it; and she told him the one thing which made his happiness complete. He would always remember the way the moon seemed to glow on her face when she told Joe that she would wait for him, even if she had to wait forever.

Joe's confidence in Mary stayed with him for three years while he fought in the South Pacific. Joe prayed every night for the end of the war and his safe return home. The confidence that Mary's love would not change, even if he should be wounded or even crippled, gave him courage to face all dangers more bravely.

From the Marianas, Joe was sent to Okinawa, where he fought in some of the bloodiest and most dangerous battles of the war. It seemed that just when he was about to give up with weariness, or was too hungry and exhausted to go further, mail call would be blown, and there would be Mary's letter, always cheerful, and telling every little thing that Joe loved to hear about. These letters refreshed him and enabled him to carry on through the longest and hardest battles of the war.

Then came the wonderful news of Peace, and soon afterwards his orders to be sent home. Joe's happiness knew no bounds, he could almost think he was home already; not just standing in the mud of the South Pacific imagining it. He glanced at his buddies around him, and could see by their smiling faces that they too were as happy as he.

Two months later, Joe was on a train bound for his home town. The wheels of the train seemed to say:





"Home to Mary! Home to Mother and Dad!"

Then the train rounded the last turn and pulled up at the station. There stood Mary and his parents. Home again, and the realization of his dreams! Yes, God had answered his prayers.

Nancy Chittick '48

# EDITORIALS

## GUIDANCE

Guidance is a very important fact in anyone's life. The minute you enter into high school, you should start to plan your future. It is wise to decide the subjects you should take that will be for your benefit when you are through school. Many people wait until their last year, and then don't get settled in the place for which they are best suited. If you have a certain thing in mind, the best thing to do is to look into it. That is the way to find out if it is definitely the thing you thought it was, and in your line. If, after thoroughly studying and examining the vocation you have chosen, you are still satisfied with it, go right into it and get all you can out of it.

Choosing the right career and getting the right guidance in school and elsewhere to make it possible, is the most important thing in the world. Not you, alone, but everyone, gets the greatest satisfaction out of a well-chosen career.

Lois Johnson '46

## SPORTSMANSHIP

What is sportsmanship? A good sportsman always knows the meaning of this. It means being able to be beaten without getting hurt or angry. It means trying as hard as you can for your team, in order to win the game. It also means being fair in playing and never cheating in any way.

We have sports in our school, such as field hockey, basketball, and football. The football team did extra well last season because the players practiced faithfully, and all members were present at all meets.

Sportsmanship should apply, not only to the players, but also to the students who cannot play. They should be present at all games and help to encourage the players by their attendance and cheers.

Sports tend to increase school spirit and loyalty to the teams and players. It is hoped that, as sports continue at Hamilton High, sportsmanship and good feeling will continue to grow among all the students and athletes, both in the classroom and on the playing field.

Esther Ricker '48

## PERSONALITY

Many people do not realize it, but their personality is shown in everything they do or say.



The first way to attain a pleasing personality, and it is very important, is through appearance. Posture is very important; your clothing should be well kept; manners, too, should be cultivated. Everyone should know the proper procedures, and when and where to use them.

A person can judge you from the attitude you take toward others, and you ought to be able to control yourself in any type of situation.

To observe a person's ability to express ideas, his interests, and likes and dislikes, are also ways of judging an individual's personality. One is considered to have a well rounded personality when he takes an interest in sports and other activities, and is able to express ideas on the life around him.

Education plays a large part in anyone's life. Not only in school, but in everything you do, you gain experience. If you are quick and eager to learn, it will add much to your personality.

Your whole life will depend on the type of personality you form when you are young. Everyone should strive to develop both an interesting and a well-rounded personality.

Lois Johnson '46

#### FACING THE PROBLEMS OF SCHOOL

Most schools face many problems in common, and each has its own way of handling the various situations. Our first problem is that of getting sufficient education. If children do not take this seriously, they will get no where in life, regardless of what the school offers. So, we must give our children sufficient education, and make them realize that it is a great opportunity, which many other countries do not enjoy.

The next problem is recreation, which children must have in order to keep them strong and healthy. In order to do this, schools must have a varied course in physical education; such as basketball teams, baseball teams, and gym classes. Such things as these keep the children in good physical condition.

Another problem is conducting social parties which the schools hold often, in order to keep the children happy and contented, and to teach them social etiquette.

Last, but not least, is the problem of having good wholesome food served in the schools, to keep the children well nourished.

These problems are cared for quite satisfactorily at Hamilton High School but should receive continual study for improvement by teachers and school authorities.

Hilda Moed '48

#### THE VALUE OF A HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMA

Now that the war is over, many thousands of boys and girls in America who left school during the war to accept positions in defense plants are beginning to realize how much a high school diploma really means. The glamour and glory of being able to personally back up our fighting men induced many to go to work. Teen-agers, who were attracted by the opportunity to make big pay and to be serving their country also, heedlessly left their books and entered war plants. The chance to become self-supporting and independent was also a great temptation. To many, that opportunity has proven to be their folly.





With the close of war plants, thousands are now jobless; and to secure a position in the majority of other employment establishments, one most vital qualification is a high school diploma. Especially with the return of veterans, this attainment is going to be stressed more and more in the future. Discharged servicemen with wives and families to support, will get first preference in applying for work. Young boys and girls with no diplomas will find it hard to qualify for jobs when competing with ex-G.I.'s. Naturally the first thought of every employer is to help the boys who fought for us.

Even young fellows who left school to volunteer for service, are returning with the realization that they had been unwise in not securing their education first. The opportunity to go to college with all expenses paid by the government cannot be made use of unless they first return to high school and earn their diplomas. Almost the first step in success is the completion of a public school education. Lack of knowledge will hamper advancement more than any other shortcoming.

In this country where education is progressing at such a rapid rate, those without the basic fundamentals of education--a high school diploma--are going to have a very slow rise in becoming successful. At practically every place of employment, the first question asked is, "Did you graduate from high school?" A negative answer will prove unfavorable when a high school graduate can be hired for the same position. Very few persons can earn better-than-average livings when they haven't proper fundamental training and have to be prompted at each task. At the time of the war emergency, many boys and girls acted carelessly without a thought to the future; now they are repenting, but in many instances, too late. Their hasty decision and long repentance will prove to the youth of today and tomorrow that a high school diploma is most vital in order to succeed in the business as well as the social world. Let's hope that we and future pupils have the good judgement to merit by their errors.

Joan Foster '46

#### STUDENT CONDUCTED ASSEMBLIES

Assemblies in which pupils of the school participate are, in general, the best liked and the most educational for the student body. They help both the pupils on the stage and those in the audience in a number of ways.

The students participating are able to gain self-confidence in themselves when they speak on the stage. This is a good way to learn to speak before people, because speaking before schoolmates should not bother a pupil too much. Then gradually, if one intends to take up speaking, he can go before larger and stranger audiences. In the acting line, many boys and girls find unknown talents. If they wish to, the school is the place to further bring out and develop these talents.

Students in assemblies learn quite a good deal about stage conduct. The care of their clothes and themselves is very important because they have to be dressed properly to appear before an audience. Under stage conduct, comes cooperation, which is important if an assembly is to be put on successfully. Pupils learn to cooperate with each other; in this way one helps another so there will be fewer faults in their program. A pupil's cooperation with a teacher is important, too, because they must be ready to practice when a teacher can give her time. All this will be very helpful in later years, especially when applying for positions. Their knowledge of speech and dress will make a favorable impression upon a would-be employer, and thus increase the chance of getting a position.

Another good point of student conducted assemblies is the fact that they are appealing and helpful to the student audience. They show students what their fellow pupils can do in acting and speaking. Pupils enjoy a student speaker more than outsiders because a student will usually talk on a subject interesting to the audience. A play or skit put on by the pupils is always





very popular. It is fun to watch school mates perform, because pupils have a personal interest in their friends and like to notice their good points and their progress from time to time. Student conducted assemblies are helpful because they teach the audience to appreciate the efforts of others, while encouraging them to perform in assemblies.

The school itself gains from these assemblies. School spirit and pride are aroused by good assemblies because pupils can be proud of their work. Morale is helped, because most students look forward to, and enjoy, assemblies. This breaks the monotony of a school week and keeps pupils cheerful. Student conducted assemblies help a school as they save on expenses. Speakers, and movies cost money, but the students' talents are free.

Because these student conducted assemblies are interesting, and so well liked, they fit in very well with the educational program of a school. They should be presented frequently, over a number of subjects, and have the parts distributed among as many pupils as possible. This gives, to all pupils who are willing, a chance to develop their talents while the audience, the school, and they, themselves, profit by their performances. Let's have more of them!

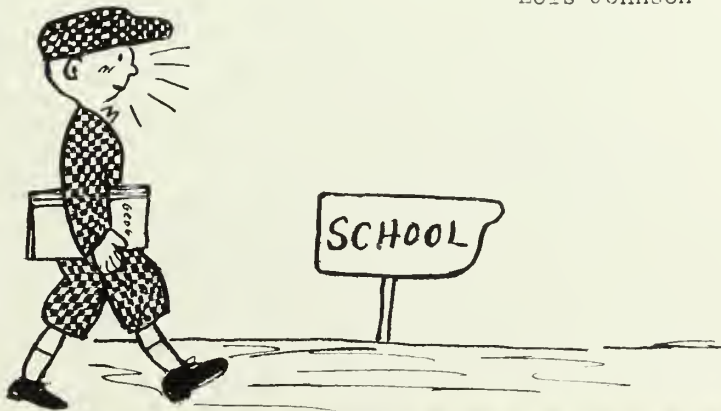
Richard Foster '47

#### SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

No school is complete without some activities. In order to bring up morale and school spirit, schools should have basketball, football, baseball, and other sports. They should also have plays, operattas, and things for the public.

Our school put on the operatta, "H. M. S. Pinafore," March 8, and it was a big success. If you haven't seen school spirit before, you would have seen it at Hamilton High those weeks before the operatta. Not only those in it were faithful to rehearsal, but others helped in other ways. The shop was busy at making the scenery and tickets, and others volunteered for ushers. The majority of the school worked hard at selling the tickets and made a good showing. This gave the students responsibility and those acting learned noise and many facts about being on the stage. All the teachers were behind the operatta, too. They got the necessary costumes, which added a great deal and the whole program showed very efficient work. To know that all your teachers are behind you is wonderful for the school morale. These operattas, plays, and sports should be a regular part of school programs. They build excellent school morale and school spirit.

Lois Johnson '46





# POETRY

## NONSENSE RHYME

There was a little dog,  
That was sitting on a log,  
During a heavy fog,  
When along came a hog,  
Who sat upon the log.  
But soon the hog did jog,  
Then he spied a little frog,  
In the middle of a bog.  
Said the hog to the frog,  
"Can you sit on that log?"  
"Oh, yes", said the frog,  
"For I live in this bog."

Charles Cullity '48

## THE FOUR SEASONS

Flowers are blooming, the sap's in the trees,  
Nature is putting herself out to please.  
Birds are all singing, and all is so gay,  
Spring is here now, so hurrah and hurray!

Long summer days are just crammed full of pleasure,  
Bathing and boating thrown in for good measure.  
All of us like to be out in the sun,  
Picnics and beach parties add to the fun.

School sessions start with the coming of fall,  
This the handsomest season of all.  
Leaves of red, gold, yellow and brown,  
One by one they come tumbling down.

Winter is here and it's quite a sight,  
Valleys and hills are all dressed in their white.  
All of the children are shouting for joy,  
Everyone's happy, both girl and the boy.

Barbara Bennett '51

## OUR PHYS. ED. INSTRUCTOR

Although he often seems a preacher,  
Mr. Martini is really a teacher.  
He always says he'll break our neck,  
But usually gives us only heck.  
He exercises every morn,  
Until he finally has to yawn;  
And then he tries the stunts on us,  
But all we do is make a fuss.

Alvin Whipple '48





### AN EXHILARATING RIDE

One day in hot August, my girlfriend and I  
Went for a ride at a stable near by.  
We had been going on each Saturday  
For a lesson in riding and other horseplay.

"I want a nice horse," to the hostler, I said,  
"One who is gentle and rides like a bed.  
I want to go home and spend Sunday in peace,  
And not have to nurture my sore spots with grease!"

"I have just the horse," said the man, with a grin,  
"He's gentle and kind and you're sure to like him.  
The saddle is western, the path smooth and cool,  
'Twill be just like riding a boat on a pool."

A beautiful chestnut, he then led to me,  
His honey-hued mane and long tail fine to see,  
A star on his forehead and one on his breast;  
He seemed to me then to be one of the best.

"Does the horse know the way?" I then asked the man.  
"Oh, yes," he replied, "and in one hour, he can  
Carry you safely o'er hill and down dale,  
By the roadside and railroad and back through the vale."

He told me all this, and I understood;  
And the horse stood as quiet as though made of wood.  
But the horse couldn't talk and I doubt if he knew,  
For he reared on his heels and then he and I flew.

Over hillside? Oh, yes! And down through the vale,  
And the railroad before made my face turn pale.  
On the roadside, two autos approached either way;  
And the question was, who would be first on that day?

I stood in the stirrups, hung on to the reins,  
And yelled, "Stop, Oh, Stop," but got naught for my pains.  
My black hair was flying, my coat was out straight,  
And I wished with my might that the train would be late.

My, how we travelled! And oh, how we flew!  
The cars stopped, and faces were patches of blue!  
As we left the broad path and covered the road,  
The horse was the wind; with the devil, the goad.

A whistle then shrieked, and I knew by the sound  
If the train got there first, we would never be found.  
But the horse seemed to know he was playing a game,  
His opponent, what mattered, an auto or train!

He just thundered on, and I clung to his mane,  
And methinks I looked something like Ichabod Crane.  
We crossed that old railroad with inches to spare,  
And were soon out of sight in the hot, dusty air.

The stable loomed up like a haven of rest;  
And I prayed that the beast, who had sure done his best  
To break all of the records, and beat all the foes,  
Would come to a stop, e're I fell on my nose.



He slowed to a trot, like a gentle old mare,  
And the pace he adopted would scarce turn a hair.  
I trembled and shook like a leaf on a tree,  
And I said to myself, "'Tis the last ride for me."

I fell off the horse, threw myself down on the hay,  
And to the astonished old hostler did say,  
"How long did it take me to cover that course?"  
"Well, it takes 'bout an hour," said he, "with a horse!"

"But you rode a whirlwind with lightening to spare,  
And thunder and fire, though the day was so fair.  
For you, twenty minutes, was all that it took!  
I think that's a record to go in the book!"

"Will you come back next week?" he asked with a smile,  
"I've another good horse you could ride for awhile."  
I stood, and I stared, and I shook my poor head;  
For I thought that next week, I would surely be dead.

But now that I'm home, salve and liniment spread,  
The joy of that ride seems to dance in my head;  
And I think that when Saturday comes 'round next week,  
I'll do it again. After all, am I weak?

Ena Gardiner '47



#### SPRINGTIME

Winter is past with its cold snowy weather.  
Spring has arrived and my heart's light as a feather.

I gaze out of doors with a longing to play,  
But school work for a while must be done every day.

School soon will be over and then hip! hip! hooray!  
Out of doors I shall scamper and race, jump and play.

The school house is wonderful and the teachers are grand.  
The kids, they are tops, the best in the land.

But give me out-doors on days warm and sunny,  
To be cooped up in school, I'll say it's not funny.

Joan Palm '51



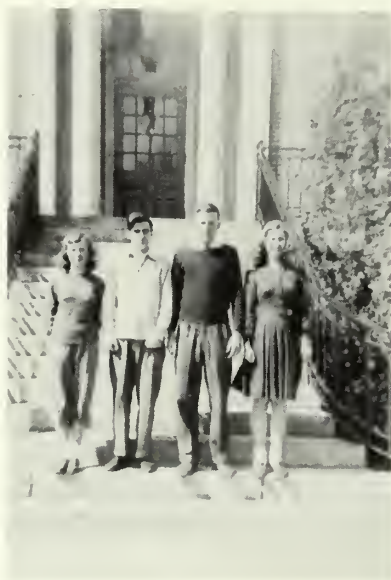




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